

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Examiner: Irene Marx

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Title: ORAL FORM OF ADMINISTRATION CONTAINING PROBIOTIC

MICRO-ORGANISMS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 29, 2003, Applicants hereby elect with traverse Group 1, Claims 1-10 drawn to a enterically coated probiotic composition.

No fee is believed to be due with this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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